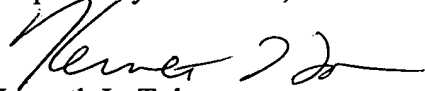


Remarks:

Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested. In the previous Office Action, the claims were deemed allowable if certain formalities were addressed. The accompanying amendment resolves each of the objections asserted by the examiner. Accordingly, applicant respectfully avers that the application is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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